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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 47/227 of 8 April 1993 and 48/207 of 21 December 1993,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research 1/ and the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research on the activities of the Institute, 2/

Recognizing the growing importance and relevance of training within the United Nations and the new training requirements of all Member States,

Considering also the relevance of research activities undertaken by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research within its mandate,

Acknowledging the importance for the restructured Institute of continuing to develop closer relationships with relevant national and international

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1/ A/49/634.

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/49/14).

institutions in industrialized and developing countries in order to enable the United Nations system to respond to training needs in the most cost-effective manner and in the best interest of all Member States,

Taking note with satisfaction of the steps taken to complete the restructuring process of the Institute which is once again becoming the dynamic training institution that it was originally intended to be,

1. Takes note of the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

2. Urges Member States to make voluntary contributions to the restructured Institute, in particular to its General Fund, so as to assure its viability, and the further development of its training programmes;

3. Reaffirms that the funding of training programmes held at the specific request of States Members of the United Nations, members of organs of the United Nations system or members of the specialized agencies should be arranged by the requesting parties;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to provide, free of charge and without financial implications for the United Nations, office space in Geneva, within existing means, as well as the usual logistic and administrative support for the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

5. Also requests the Secretary-General to provide, free of charge and without financial implications for the Institute, liaison office space in New York, and requests within this context, the Board of Trustees to give the necessary attention to the matters with a view to avoiding any negative financial impact on the Institute;

6. Invites the United Nations and its funds and programmes, in particular the United Nations Development Programme, to develop their collaboration with the United Nations Institute for Training and Research with the aim of making the Institute an important provider of training and research for the United Nations system;

7. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the measures taken in the implementation of the present resolution.